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SUBJECT: OIL DRILLING AT ASHDOD

OIL TRACES WERE FOUND AT THE ASHDOD 2 DRILLING SITE IN MID-MAY, AND SUBSEQUENT PRESS REPORTS RAISED HOPES OF AN IMPORTANT OIL FIND. AFTER TWO MONTHS OF FURTHER PUMPING, HOWEVER, RAFAEL GOLDIS, MANAGING DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL OIL PROSPECTING AND INVESTMENT COMPANY, ADMITTED TO PRESS ON JULY 8 THAT THIS WELL WAS OF NO COMMERCIAL SIGNIFICANCE AT PRESENT. NONETHELESS, GOLDIS NOTED THAT THE DETECTION OF OIL SIGNS IN COASTAL PLAIN AREA WAS EXTREMELY SIGNIFICANT ALTHOUGH IT WOULD TAKE MONTHS OF SEISMIC EXPERIMENTS, COMPUTER EVALUATIONS, AND AT LEAST TWO MORE TEST DRILLINGS BEFORE COMMERCIAL VALUE OF THE ASHDOD WELLS COULD BE FULLY APPRAISED.

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